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John Hewitt Interstate Brick Company 9780 South 5200 West West Jordan, Utah 84088

Subject: Review of Reclamation Surety, Interstate Brick Company, Manning Canyon

Community Pit, S/049/0036, Utah County, Utah

Dear Mr. Hewitt:

The last surety estimate for the Manning Canyon Community Pit mine was done in 2007 and escalated to 2009 dollars. At this time, the surety amount needs to be adjusted to account for changes in reclamation costs.

Based on average reclamation costs, the surety amount needs to be increased from 18,600 to 28,000 for a 3-year escalation, or \$29,100 for a 5-year escalation. The average reclamation costs are outlined below:

Small Mine Operation Bond Calculation Worksheet S/049/0036			
3-year escalation (2016)			
Item	Qty	Unit Cost	<b>Total Cost</b>
1st Acre Disturbance	1	\$8,000.00	\$8,000.00
Add'l Acres Disturbance	4	\$5,000.00	\$20,000.00
TOTAL			\$28,000.00
5-year escalation (2018)			
Item	Qty	Unit Cost	<b>Total Cost</b>
1st Acre Disturbance	1	\$8,300.00	\$8,300.00
Add'l Acres Disturbance	4	\$5,200.00	\$20,800.00
TOTAL			\$29,100.00



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Please contact the bond coordinator, Penny Berry, at 801-538-5291 or by e mail at <a href="mailto:pennyberry@utah.gov">pennyberry@utah.gov</a> for information about submitting the additional surety. Your current bond is in the form of a corporate surety bond. You may submit a rider to the surety bond, or the increase may be submitted in the form of a letter of credit, a certificate of deposit, or cash for either the increased or the full amount. Bonding forms are available on the Internet at <a href="http://www.ogm.utah.gov/minerals/MINERALSFORMS.htm">http://www.ogm.utah.gov/minerals/MINERALSFORMS.htm</a>.

As an alternative to increasing the surety amount, the reclamation liability can be decreased by reclaiming a portion of the site and amending the Notice of Intention to Commence Small Mining Operations to show the decreased acreage, or reclaiming the site entirely. If you decide to pursue these options, please contact the lead inspector, April Abate, at 801-538-5214. The Division would need to continue to hold adequate surety for the reclaimed area while vegetation is becoming established.

Please provide the additional surety or perform the reclamation no later than July 1, 2014. Thank you for your help in keeping the surety current. Please contact April Abate at 801-538-5214 or me at 801-538-5261 if you have any questions concerning this letter.

Sincerely,

Paul B. Baker

Mining Program Manager

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cc: Steven Allen, BLM (sallen@blm.gov)

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